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***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***

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<i>Group:</i>	3764	}
<i>Confirmation No.:</i>	2081	}
<i>Application No.:</i>	10/083,966	}
<i>Invention:</i>	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR INDUCING SPUTUM SAMPLES FOR DIAGNOSTIC EVALUATION	}
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**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 24, 2004, please amend the subject application as provided below, and consider the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 7 of this paper, and include an attached replacement sheet.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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